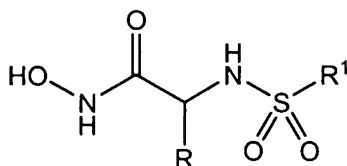


Amendments to the Claims

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) A compound of formula I:



FORMULA I

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt, ~~or mixture~~ thereof, wherein:

R¹ is selected from the group consisting of C₆₋₁₀ aryl groups, said aryl groups optionally substituted with 1 to 3 groups of R^a;

R^a is selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₆alkyl and halogen groups; and

R is selected from the group consisting of C₃₋₁₀ heterocycloalkyl groups.

- 2-3. (Canceled)

4. (Previously Presented) The compound according to claim 1, wherein R¹ is a phenyl group optionally substituted with 1 to 3 groups of R^a.

5. (Currently Amended) The compound according to claim 1, wherein R¹ is a phenyl group substituted with 1 to 3 groups of halogen, methyl, ethyl, propyl, butyl, ~~naphthyl, 5-(2-pyridyl)thiophen-2-yl or a mixture thereof.~~

6. (Currently Amended) The compound according to claim 1, wherein the compound is selected from the group consisting of:

~~N-t-butoxy-2(R)-[(4-fluoro-3-methylphenylsulfonyl)]amino-2-(4'-tetrahydropyranyl)-~~

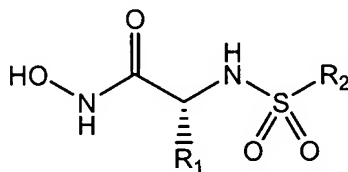
acetamide;

N-hydroxy-2(R)-[(4-fluoro-3-methylphenylsulfonyl)]amino-2-(4'-tetrahydropyranyl)-

acetamide;

compounds provided in Table 1 below

Table 1



Example #	R ₁	R ₂
64		
74		
78		
105		
130		

and a pharmaceutically acceptable salt and mixture thereof.

7. (Currently Amended) The compound according to claim 6, wherein the compound is selected from the group consisting of:

~~N-t-butoxy 2(R)-[(4-fluoro-3-methylphenylsulfonyl)]amino-2-(4'-tetrahydropyranyl)-~~

acetamide;

N-hydroxy-2(R)-[(4-fluoro-3-methylphenylsulfonyl)]amino-2-(4'-tetrahydropyranyl)-
acetamide;

and-or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt ~~and mixture~~ thereof.

8. (Canceled)

9. (Previously Presented) A composition comprising a compound according to claim 1 and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

10-15. (Canceled)

16. (New) A composition comprising a compound according to claim 6 and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

17. (New) A composition comprising a compound according to claim 7 and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.